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11. (SBU) Poloff on July 5 conveyed USG request that France consider lifting the Schengen ban on Unification Church leader Sun Myung Moon and his wife to Denis Fromaget, Deputy Councelor for Religious Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Fromaget responded that he saw no immediate other reason than the Schengen ban -- now struck down -- for refusing Moon,s entry into France.

12. (SBU) However, because another office deals with Schengen Treaty issues, Fromaget said the Religious Affairs Office would need to confer before giving a final, official response. He said he hoped to provide this response within 15 days.

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